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Mishaps on Mumbai Railway Tracks
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per a report, more than 1500 people died and around the same number were injured in mishaps on Mumbai's railway tracks in the past one year and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has taken any measures to curb these accidents and spread awareness amongst citizens on the dangers of crossing tracks;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the other steps taken by the Government to curb accidents on railway tracks?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): A total of 3304 persons died and 3349 persons were injured in mishaps on railway tracks in Mumbai during the calendar year 2015.
(b) to (d): The following steps are being taken to minimize the accidents on railway tracks by Railways:-

1. Announcements are being made through PA system and also given wide publicity in mass media by concerned department about the impending dangers and resultant penalties.
2. Railway Protection Force/Railway Protection Special Force staff are deployed at various locations to check trespassing.
3. Hooters are blown by RPF at the suspect trespassing points to prevent trespassing.
4. "Anmol Jeevan'-a concerted effort by School children, NGOs, RPF and commercial departments- is organized at regular intervals for the awareness of passengers.
5. Drives named "Track Suraksha Jeevan Raksha" by RPF and "Naya Jeevan Nayi Aasha" by Commercial department have been launched over suburban section of Mumbai with the help of NGOs, scouts and Lion Club etc.
6. Unauthorized entry and exit points are being blocked.
7. Necessary signboards/posters regarding "Do not cross railway line" & "Don't travel on roof top/foot board" are in place on platforms/ station premises, for the awareness of passengers.
8. Regular drives are conducted against trespassers under the provisions of the Railways Act, 1989.

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